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PATENT  
CASE NO. 56/429

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Wolfgang Holzapfel et al.	)	
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Serial No.: 10/821,518	)	
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For: SCANNING UNIT FOR POSITION	)	
MEASURING INSTRUMENT FOR	)	
OPTICAL SCANNING OF A	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being presented to better describe Applicants' claimed invention and it is believed does not present any new matter. Please amend the specification as follows:

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**TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

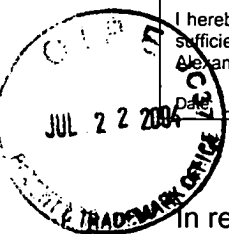
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- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
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- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total		Minus			x \$9=			x \$18=	
Indep.		Minus			x 43=			x \$86=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$145=			+\$290=	
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- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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